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MNE'S (CIME): PROPOSED INCREASE IN OECD
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1. REFDOD A (WHICH WE UNDERSTAND HAS REACHED WASHINGTON) REQUESTS ON URGENT BASIS COUNCIL APPROVAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF FIVE NEW SECRETARIAT POSITIONS TO HELP IMPLEMENT TASKS FLOWING FROM INVESTMENT PACKAGE, AND RELATED DECISIONS, AGREED BY MINISTERIAL MEETING IN JUNE. REQUEST FOR THIS SUPPLEMENT TO STAFF OF FINANCIAL AND FISCAL AFFAIRS DIRECTORATE IS JUSTIFIED IN PARA 4 OF REFDOD WITH A LISTING OF ACTIVITIES THAT NEED TO BE CARRIED OUT EVEN PENDING FORMULATION AND APPROVAL OF NEW MANDATE FOR CIME INCLUDING COMPILATION OF INFORMATION ON NATIONAL TREATMENT AND INCENTIVE/DISINCENTIVES, LIAISON WITH BIAC/TUAC AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL FORA, AND MONI-
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TORING OF LONGER TERM PROGRAMS ON INVESTMENT AND MNE'S IN

OTHER OECD COMMITTEES.

2. REFDOC AND ANNEXED DRAFT DECISION OF OECD COUNCIL AMENDING SECRETARIAT'S ESTABLISHMENT TABLE CALL FOR ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE TO BE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1976. IN TERMS OF BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS, MISSION UNDERSTANDS THAT TO EXTENT REQUESTED POSITIONS WOULD BE FILLED BEFORE END OF 1976, COSTS WOULD BE ABSORBED WITHIN PRESENT 1976 BUDGET AND THAT THESE NEW POSITIONS WOULD NOT IMPLY ANY FURTHER RISE IN THE SECGEN'S REQUEST FOR A TWO PERCENT REAL GROWTH INCREASE IN SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAMS FOR 1977 BUDGET.

3. COMMENT: REFDOC PROPOSALS ARE EXPECTED TO BE EXAMINED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT END OF SEPTEMBER AND PRESUMABLY IN OCTOBER BY COUNCIL. THESE STAFF ADDITIONS WERE SIGNED IN SECGEN'S PRESENTATION ON 1977 TARGET OF TWO PERCENT REAL BUDGET INCREASE (OECD PARIS 21600), WHICH SPECIFICALLY NOTED HIGH PRIORITY OF FOLLOW-ON WORK RESULTING FROM MINISTERIAL APPROVAL OF "INVESTMENT PACKAGE" LAST JUNE. CONSISTENT WITH DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON OVERALL LEVEL OF NEXT BUDGET CONTAINED IN STATE 171201 MISSION WILL CAREFULLY EXPLORE RATIONALE FOR THE FIVE NEW POSITIONS ASKED AND WILL AGREE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF THOSE POSITIONS JUSTIFIED BY REQUIREMENTS. TURNER

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